

Senate File 248 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to campaign finance by restricting campaign
2 expenditures and the use of pledges in exchange for campaign
3 contributions in campaigns for the general assembly or for
4 statewide office.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 68A.301A LIMIT ON EXPENDITURES
1 2 BY A CANDIDATE FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR A CANDIDATE FOR
1 3 STATE OFFICE.
1 4 A candidate for the general assembly or a candidate for
1 5 state office may expend in a primary, general, or special
1 6 election no more than three times the annual salary for that
1 7 office.
1 8 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 68A.506 PROHIBITING CONTRIBUTIONS
1 9 IN EXCHANGE FOR A CANDIDATE PLEDGE.
1 10 A lobbyist or political committee shall not make a
1 11 contribution to the campaign of a candidate for the general
1 12 assembly or a candidate for state office in exchange for a
1 13 written pledge by the candidate to support or oppose a
1 14 particular issue or measure.
1 15 EXPLANATION
1 16 This bill sets spending limits for legislative campaigns
1 17 and campaigns for statewide office. A candidate may expend in
1 18 a primary, general, or special election no more than three
1 19 times the annual salary for the office. The bill also
1 20 prohibits a lobbyist or a political committee from
1 21 conditioning a campaign contribution on a signed pledge by the
1 22 candidate to support or oppose a particular issue or measure.
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